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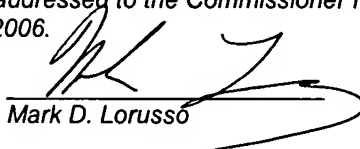
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: Aldo Salimbeni et al.  
Serial No.: 10/537,731  
Filed: June 6, 2005  
For: PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF  
BYCYCLIC PEPTIDE COMPOUNDS  
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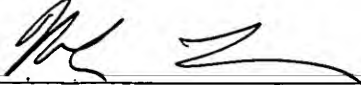
**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to examination of the captioned application and prior to calculation of the fees, please preliminarily amend the attached application as follows pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.115:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this pager.

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Applicant(s): <b>Adlo Salimbeni et al.</b>					
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Invention: <b>PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF BYCYCLIC PEPTIDE COMPOUNDS</b>					
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